THE FREE PASS QUESTION

GOVERNOR RUSSELL'S BOASTING CAUSING AMUSEMENT:

Sheriff of Buncombe Arrested for Using a Free Pass-Closing Festivities of the Fair. Farmers Holding Their Cotton - Not Pressed for Payment by Their Creditors. A Faithless Wife and Her Paramour Hunted Down and a Reconciliation the Result-Gold Mining Excitement

Messenger Bureau,

Raleigh, N. C., October 23. The festivities of the state fair ended last night or rather at 4 o'clock this morning with the "marshals' ball." given at the Yarboro house, under the auspices of the Capital club. Governor and Mrs. Russell and nearly all the state officers were present. It was an exceptionally handsome affair. At 1 o'clock this morning Private Secretary Alexander presented Chief Marshal P. H. Lybrook with a gold chain and gold headed cane on behalf of the marshals, of whom there were more present than at any fair ever held here.

The local cotton receipts in this market by wagon are so far this season only 7,444 bales, against 11,923 bales to the corresponding date last year. Merchants who supply farmers with

provisions, etc., were asked if the farmers are holding cotton, and say yes, much more than usual. The secretary church, near where she died. of the cotton exchange says that 50 per cent. of the farmers are in debt she gave her heart to God and joined now, that a great many are holding cotton for a rise and that is largely due to the fact that the merchants are not pressing them for what they owe. It is said the penitentiary board once

before adopted a resolution that no vouchers should be paid unless approved by the chairman of the board and by two of the executive committee, but found it could not take away any of the superintendent's powers. Of course, if he acquiesces all these things can be done, but under the law, if he stands on his rights, he is abso-

W. O. Roberts, of Asheville, is employed as superintendent of the Farmers' Alliance shoe factory at Hillsboro. There has been a great deal of trouble about getting the factory started and over fourteen months lost.

Colonel Leonidas Stephenson, one of the best known and most esteemed citizens of Wake, died at his home near here last night. For a year his health had been feeble. His fine estate had funeral procession which followed her been in the family for three generations. He owned one of the largest tracts of oak timber in middle North Carolina, some 6,000 acres.

Machinery for crushing stone for street macadamization will be set up at the quarry east of the city from which the granite for the capitol was taken.

Dr. D. Reid Parker, who has charge of the farmers' institutes, says more are to be held this year. There is a desire for dairy institutes, but none are

as yet ordered. R. J. Diegle, who had for ten days been tracking his wife Minnie, who eloped with Ed. Campbell, a "fakir," found her and her paramour yesterday afternoon. Campbell at the fair and Mrs. Diegle and two little children in the city. Diegle was disguised and "spotted" Campbell, and at first wanteu to kill him. But late at night all seemed reconciled. The woman agreed to go back to Marion, Ohio, with her husband, provided the latter did not prosecute Campbell, with whom she is infatuated. Campbell pays \$60 costs. At 9 o'clock this morning Mr. and Mrs. Diegle left for home. Campbell is held in jail long enough to give them a good start. He says the woman is madly in love with him. Diegle is by pro-

fession a "fakir" too. There is no end of laughter at Governor Russell's statements as to having a pocket full of railway passes, and at his reasons for taking them. He is placed in a peculiarly awkward po-

Governor Russell is said to regard the deposing from power of the superintendent of the penitentiary as quite

a victory. Revenue Agent J. C. Wheeler is here making a very careful inspection of the office of Revenue Collector Simmons, which always ranks A 1.

The question is being considered whether the Episcopal missionary jurisdiction of Asheville shall be erected into a diocese.

The excitement over gold mining in the pledmont section of the state is increasing daily. Valuable discoveries are being made.

The populists are losing ground in two directions-the one part going towards the democrats and one faction toward the republicans. Thus both Butler and Harry Skinner are losing ground.

The "free pass" question comes to a head in the arrest of the sheriff of Buncombe and the ticket agent of the Southern railway at Asheville, because the sheriff has a free pass.

It is the comment here that the three bank failures at Asheville are due entirely to Asheville's burst "land boom." Most of the exhibits were removed from the state fair grounds today. W. P. Batchelor, manager of the races at the fair, says the liberality of the management in refunding all entrance money and paying freight on horses to the next racing place has made a great hit with the racing men, and that next year, as a result, there will be an unprecedented number of entries.

Hints for Housewives

Shoes should always be wiped off and put into a linen bag with pockets when not in use.

Silk handkerchiefs and ribbons should be washed in salt and water and ironed wet to look well.

A cure for hiccoughs is to draw in as much air as the lungs will hold, and retain it as long as possible. Egg stains may be removed from

silver forks and spoons by rubbing them with a little very fine salt. Yellow spots on the linen or cotton produced by the iron may be removed by setting them in the broiling sun. An excellent starch for dark clothes,

blue calicoes, etc., is made by using cold coffee left from breakfast instead of pure water. Make the starch as us-

Whisk brooms are enjoying some vogue as dishwashers, replacing both the dishcloth and the mops of cord or cotton. One whisk should be kept above the pantry sink for the use of the waitress in her care of the china and another one be kept for the cook's But, now I hear the mock-bird's grateful pots and pans. Says the housekeeper, recommending the change: This is all very well, but what of the danger from straws being broken off and carried down the pipe? In the hands of a careless and untrained maid the whisk may become a source of danger in this respect, for straws will stop a drain quite as effectively as matches.

Methuselah completed nine centuries and he never saw a bicycle.

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FACE HUMORS Falling Hair and Baby Blem-

Obituary

Miss Dora Coltrane, wife of Mr. C. M. Fuller, was born April 2nd, 1862, and died October 14th, 1897, at their old home in Randolph county, N. C. She was ill eleven weeks, most of the time with typhoid fever, which left her in such a feeble condition that she finally died of heart failure. After her funeral was impressively preached by Rev. Mr. Elligton she was buried at Concord

In the tender years of her early life Ebenezer Methodist church, near Randleman, N. C., from which she moved her membership to Lumberton Methodist church, and was a consecrated, devoted member of the same to the day of her death. She showed herself a happy wife for fiftten years in her cheerful devotion to her husband, a good mother in her love and tenderness to her children and a Christian in her daily walk, abounding in faithfulness to her church, liberality of gifts and charity of mind and heart. Through her long illness she was patient and submissive. She often talked of death with a calmness and peace known only to the true child of God, and her own words were "I am not afraid to die. My only trouble is leaving my little children." But even in that her triumphant faith finally broke forth with the words "God will provide for them."

Of the great esteem in which she was held at her old home the half mile remains and the tears of weeping relatives and friends tell more than words can express. Of the warmth of love for her in Lumberton the prevalent anxiety about her during her illness and the shadow of sorrow that clouded so many faces at the news of her death are abiding testimonies. During her residence of eight years here she made many friends and she appreciated their friendship, for almost to her last hours she inquired about many. She loved Lumberton and she longed to get back

Gone from the changing scenes of earth to ever witness bright scenes, she will be missed in her home, in her church and in her community. In the burial ground, sacred to many hearts. sleep her remains. Thither shall often go the thoughts of her loved ones, mourning with her grief-stricken husband and five motherless children over her departure. God bless and preserve them and bring them all at last to a happy reunion in the eternal city or our J. D. BUNDY.

The Grave of Colonel. Sol. W liams. (By J. Emory M .--.

The following lines were written short time ago at the grave of Colonel Sol. Williams, by a private of his old regiment-Twelfth North Carolina troops -the Second Volunteers. Perhaps no officer in the Army of Northern Virginia was more dearly beloved by his command, or had more devoted friends throughout the army than this noble young North Carolinian, who fell at Brandy Station at the head of the brigade he commanded, in its third charge against the enemy. His gallant bearing on that field has been the theme of eulogy by all who witnessed it, and before his fall, during the thickest of the fight, he had received messages from General Lee, commending his heroism in the warmest terms of praise. There is a peculiar sadness attaching to the fate of Colonel Williams, from the fact that two weeks before his death he had led to the sacred altar of marriage the accomplished daughter of Captain R. B. Pegram, of Norfolk, a distinguished officer of the confederate navy and commander of the blockade-runner "Nashville." Linked with the memory of the gifted Pelham, the name of Sol. Williams should be cherished in history, and fame's brightest chaplet should enwreath his brow. He lies buried at the family burying ground at the residence of his late uncle Hon, A. H. Arrington, near Hilliardston, Nash county-a noble martyr of a noble cause!-T. B. Kingsbury, written years

How still all things around! The soul of Peace Is hovering o'er this spot, Unwelcome guardian! O ye winds, re lease

Your roar and leave him not To such profound repose.

Arise, march o'er ye storm clad clouds of Heaven: Ye lightnings leap around; And while your cars from sky to sky are driven. Burst, thunder, to the ground;

Ye all are welcome here. He loved to ride upon the battle's blast, To mingle in the roar

And some above-before, A horizontal hail. His voice high rolling on the trembling Was heard above the din.

And oft, undaunted, stood his form so Where the pale ranks grow thin In cause of Liberty. Is this the sequel? O'er the grave

stand. And feel my heart throb slow: It seems but yesterday I saw his band, Flushed with the battle's glow-And is he now so still? Earth's cares and pleasures often hide

the tomb, E'en though we pace its verge, With clouded eyes we look upon its gloom. With deafened ears, its dirge, Go down, and are no more,

notes. Rain sweet, from yonder treethroats, What now does fancy see, Constant beside his grave?

A myriad hearted form that sweetly Its songs of love and thanks— His country's tribute from the Atlantic's shores. To Rio Grande's banks.

True Nobility

For this true nobleness I seek in vain, In woman and in man I find it not; I almost weary of my earthly lot, My life-springs are dried up with burn

ing pain. Thou findst not? I pray thee look again Look inward, though the depths of thine own soul.

How is it with thee? Art thou sound and whole? Doth narrow search show the no earth ly stain?

Be noble! and the nobleness that lies In other men, sleeping, but never dead. Will rise in majesty to meet thine own; Then wil't thou see it gleam in many

shed, And thou will never more be sad and

Born Without Arms or Legs

(Courier-Journal.) Irishmen all over the world, and, indeed, all admirers of indomitable courage in the face of great difficulties, will be interested in the forthcoming erection of a national mondument to Arthur Mac Murrogh Kavanagh. Rarely has a task of such delicacy been placed in the sculptor's hands as the making of the memorial in question.

The Rt. Hon. Arthur Mac Murrogh Kavanagh was born a mere section of humanity. In place of arms and legs fate had assigned to him four stumps, the most extended of which did not exceed one foot in length. His keen intellect and strong will were, however, superior to this cruel lack of hands and feet, and before his untimely demise Mr. Kavanagh had been a member of the British parliament, a privy councillor and lord lieutenant of his native country in Ireland, beside, on no less than two occasions refusing the honor of a peerage. He was long renowned as a fearless "cross-country" rider and a good shot; several brilliant speeches and clever volumes attest his genius, and the family of stalwart sons and healthy daughters which he left behind promise to perpetuate his name, while it shows no signs of inheriting his physical failings. Surely such a remarkable man deserves some token of posthumous recognition at the hands of his countrymen the more especially as he was the lineal representative of the ancient king of Leinster, and directly descended from Art Mac Murrogh Kavanagh, who, in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, successfully battled against England at the head of

the united Irish clans. The movement to erect a suitable monument to Mac Murrogh Kavanagh belongs to no political party or religious sect. It numbers among its supporters men of every shade of opinion, many of whom were Gavanagh's opponents in parliament or elsewhere; for though a stanch conservative and | Fort Wayne 167 | Am Cot Oil, pre. 74% anti-home ruler, Kavanagh was a good landlord and a generous foe. Above all, he was one of the pioneers, if not the very first, to decry England's unjust taxation of Ireland, thereby starting the anti-taxation movement in which tenant and landlord, home ruler and unionist, rich and poor, are now practically united. After a great deal of discussion it has been decided to the late king of Leinster's rugged features are to be perpetuated.

The Discovery Saved His Life Mr. G. Caillouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail, and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth it's weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at R. R. Bellamy's

No Gymnastics in Norway

Drug Store.

(Boston Globe.) Walking, climbing and ski-running they have in Christiania, the capital of Norway, with skating and coasting, but gymnasium athletics are practically non-existent. There are probably not more than a half dozen pairs of boxing gloves in Christiania. There are no running matches, no jumping, few crews, no wrestling, no cricket, foot ball or tennis, no teaching of the "manly art of self-defence." The boys fight like little demons, and one would think they would aspire to do so scientifically. At one of the large boys' schools it is part of the unwritten law (of the pupils) that the classes first out of the building shall at times congregate in one corner of the great brickwalled court yard, whence it shall be the duty and pleasure of the remainder of the school to whack them forth with strenuous application of fists and

heads. The best possible resistance is made a great many eyes are blackened and some few teeth dislodged, but all casualties are received amicably (afterward) and all prowess duly accredited. Private quarrels are promptly settled, not in the school precincts, but in the recesses of the palace park, where a ring is formed, seconds chosen and all proceedings conducted in proper order.

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Cure for Lockjaw

To the Editor of The Atlanta Journal: Of deadly guns-of missiles-some swift I have noticed several deaths from lock-jaw" caused from a nail stuck in | 2,448. the foot. I have often thought I would tell the public of a seemingly strange remedy. Several years ago I had in my service a girl who stuck a uail in her foot. It was very much swollen and I knew nothing to do. Some one told her to smoke the wound with varn. I had no faith wnatever. My father being a physician, I had been tures were as follows: taught to look on such a thing as r diculous. Simply to please her I go the yarn and after burning it blew th blaze out and smoked the wound. Wel while I held the smoke she would sa she felt it drawing. To my surpris the swelling was gone next mornin and there was no more trouble. used it on another occasion and th wound gave no trouble. In this cas they also complained of the "drawin sensation." I think the press would d a kindness to copy this remedy ex A music gathered from a thousand tensively. It may be the means of re lieving some suffering mortal. I as every one who may have occasion no to fail to use this remedy. It will I impossible to find one with less fait than myself before I used it. CELLEY BEE.

> In the human barometer smiles men sunshine and frowns mean frost.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORT. Wilmington, N. C., October 23.

Receipts of cotton today-2,027 bales. Receipts same day last year-2,847 bales. This season's receipts to date-126,819 Receipts to same date last year-100,736

The quotations posted at a o'clock today at the exchange. Cotton firm; bid at Ordinary 3 1-16 Good middling..... 5 1-16

Then will light around thy path be NAVAL STORES. turpentine-Machine barrels steady at 28%c; country barrels steady at James Russell Lowell.

Rosin firm at \$1.15 to \$1.20. Tar quiet at \$1.20. Crude turpentine quiet; hard \$1.50; yellow dip \$2.00; Virgin \$2.00. [Brokers quote sales at \$1.40 and \$1.90.] Prices same day last year-Spirits turpentine at 25%c and 25c; rosin \$1.45 and \$1.50; tar \$1.00; crude turpentine \$1.30, \$1.90 and \$1.80.

Receipts today-138 casks spirits turpentine, 921 barrels rosin, 274 barrels tar, 186 barrels crude turpentine. Receipts to same date last year-44 casks spirits turpentine, 604 barrels rosin, 130 barrels tar, 97 barrels crude turpen-

COUNTRY PRODUCE. Peanuts—North Carolina, prime 550660 per bushel; extra prime, 65; fancy, 72½c. Virginia—Extra prime, 40045c.
Rice—Uplands, 65080c; lowlands, \$1.100

Corn-471/2050c. North Carolina Bacon-Hams, 10011c; shoulders, 6664c; sides, 7408c. Chickens-Firm; springs 10020c; hens

Eggs-Quiet at 16c. Shingles-Per 1,000 five inch, hearts and saps, \$1.602.10; six inch, \$2.5003.50. Timber at \$2.00 to \$8.00 per 1,000 feet.

18025c; roosters, 18022c.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

FINANCIAL

New York, October 23 .- Money on call easy at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4041/2 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers bills at \$4.85 for demand, and at \$4.821/2 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.83@\$4.831/2 and \$4.86. Commercial bills \$4.81. Bar silver 58%. Mexican dollars 45. State bonds dull; railroad bonds firm; government bonds firm. New 4's, registered, 126%; coupon 127%.

STOCKS. Atchison...... 13% W. & L. E..... 13 B. & O...... 14% W. & L. E, pre. 114 Ches. & Ohio 22% Adams Ex.. 158 Chic. & Alton 161 | American Ex. .. 115 Chic., B. & Q.... 94% United States .. 42 Del. & Hudson...1151/4 Wells Far......108 Del., L. & W.....154 Am. Cot. Oil.... 211 Illinois Central.. 1021/2 Am. Tobacco ... 81% L. & N......... 56½ Ame Tobac, pre.110 Manhattan L....102% Chicago Gas 95½ Mobile & Ohio... 27 | Con. Gas..212 N. J. Central.... 94% Gen. Electric ... 34 N. Y. Central... 198% Lead....... 35 Reading...... 24 Pacific Mail 323 Southern Ry..... 10 Pullman Pal. ..171 South. Ry., pre., 31% Silver Cer., 573 Wabash, pre..... 1914 West. Union 88%

BONDS.

U. S. N. 4's reg..1271/2 L. & N. Un 4's.. 847 S. N. 4's cou..1281/4 Missouri 6's100 U. S. 4's cou......11334 N. Caro. 6's.....122 U. S. 2's............99 N. Caro. 4's.....1021/2 S. 5's reg.....114% Pa. 6's, of '95....10214 U. S. 5's cou......116¹/₂ S. Caro. non-fu. ¹/₄ Ala. Class A....108 South. Ry........ 92¹/₄ Ala. Class B....108 Tenn N set 3's... 81³/₄ Ala. Class C.....100 [Union Pa. 1's....1013] Ala. Currency... 98 | Va. Cen... 67 La. N. con 4's... 96 | Va. deferred 4

CUTTON.

Liverpool, October 23.-1 p. m.-Cotton-Spot, moderate demand; prices lower; American middling fair 3 29-64d; good middling 3 11-16d; American middling 3 9-16d; low middling 3 7-16d; good ordinary 3 5-16d; ordinary 31/4d. Sales 7,000 bales. of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,600 bales American. Receipts 31,300 bales, all American. Futures opened easy with a fair demand and closed quiet.

American middling low middling clause; October 3 27-64d buyers; October and November 3 21-64d, 3 22-64d buyers; November and December 3 19-64d buyers; December and January 3 19-64d sellers; January and February 3 19-64d sellers; February and March 3 19-64d, 3 20-64d sellers; March and April 3 20-64d sellers; April and May 3 21-64d values; May and June 3 22-64d sellers; June and July 3 23-64d sellers; July and August 3 24-64d sel-

New York, October 23.-Cotton quiet middling 61%c; net receipts 33; gross re ceipts 6,784; exports to France 200; forwarded 1,500; sales, all spinners, stock 62.638.

Total today: Net recipts 56,596; exports to Great Britain 37,174; France 200; to the continent 15,828; stock 666,600. Total since September 1st: Net receipts 810,455; exports to Great Britain 525,313; to France 121,911; continent 353,944. Futures opened easy; sales 9,000 bales January 6.01; February 6.05; March 6.10

April 6.14; May 6.18; June 6.22; July 6.24; October 6.01; November 5.99; December Futures closed barely steady; sales 125,100 bales: January 5.98; February 6.02; March 6.08; April 6.09; May 6.14; June 6.17; July 6.20; October 5.96; November

5.94; December 5.96. PORT RECEIPTS. .

Galveston-Quiet at 5 13-16c; net re ceipts 777. Norfolk-Quiet at 5%c; net receipts

Baltimore-Dull at 6c. Boston-Easy at 61/sc; net receipts 507. Wilmington-Firm at 51/2c bid; net receipts 2.027. Philadelphia-Easy at 6%c; net receipts

Savannah-Quiet at 51/2c; net receipts New Orleans-Quiet at 5%c; net receipts 17,668; gross receipts 14,951. Mobile-Dull at 5 9-16c; net receipts

Memphis-Steady at 5 13-16c; net receipts 5.221; gross recipts 5.435. Augusta-Steady at 5 11-16c; net receipts Charleston-Quiet at 5 9-16c; net re-Cincinnati-Quiet at 6c; net receipts

Louisville-Quiet at 6c. St. Louis-Quiet at 5%c; net receipts 1.438; gross receipts 4.914. Houston—Quiet at 5 13-16c; net receipts

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. Chicago, October 23 .- The leading fu-

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\$3.6063.50; straights, \$4.4064.70; No. spring wheat, Sc; No. 3 spring wheat, 80@85c; No. 2 red, Sc; No. 2 corn, 254@25c; No. 2 oats, 184c; No. 2 white, 22c; No. 3 white, 21@214c; mess pork, per bbl., \$7.55@\$7.974; lard, per 100 lbs., \$4.35@4.374; short ribs sides, loose, \$4.45@4.75; dry salted shoulders, boxed, —; short clear sides, boxed, ---; whiskey, distillers' finished goods, per gal., \$1.20. New York, October 22.-Flour fairly ac tive and firm at full prices; winter patents, \$5.90@5.25; winter straights, \$4.60@ \$4.75; Minnesota patents, \$5.1065.50; winter extras, \$3.29@3.65; Minnesota bakers, \$4.35 @\$4.50; winter low grades, \$3.0063.15. Wheat-Spot quiet; No. 2 red, \$1.01% Options opened off from the curb price and ruled quiet and rather easier all the morning, influenced by liberal realizing and sons foreign selling, closed at 97%c; December 97%@97 13-16c, closed at 97%c. Corn-Spot easy; No. 2, 32c. Options opened steady but eased off under realizing and the set back in wheat, closed at 14614c aet lower. November closed at 30%c; Lecember 314631%c, closed at 314c. Oats-Spot dull; No. 2, 23c. Options were dull and featureless at unchanged to be net lower. October closed at 23%e; December closed at 2314c.

Lard-Easier; western steam closed a \$4.70; refined quiet. Pork-Dull: old mess \$8,75@9.25; new mess \$9.25@10.00; short clear \$10.00@13.00; family \$11.00@12.00. Eggs-Quiet; state and Pennsylvania

Cotton Seed Oil steady; prime crude 20c; prime crude, f. o. b., milis 15@16c; prime summer yellow, 2314@2334c; off summer yellow, 23@234c; butter oil, 274@ 28c; prime summer white, 261/2627c; prime winter yellow, 29c. Rice-Firm; domestic, fair to extra.

4%66%c; Japan 4%66%c. Molasses-Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 25@31c.

Coffee-Options opened steady at unchanged prices; ruled inactive with weak undertone, following disappointing European cables; continued heavy reciptes at Rio and Santos, and lower spot coffee markets checked somewhat by heavy United States warehouse deliveries. closed barely steady; net unchanged to points lower; sales 8,750 bags, including October \$5.60; December \$6.20. Spot Rio weak; No. 7 invoice 6%c; No. 7 jobbing. Sugar-Raw nominal; fair refining 5-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3%c; refined quiet; mould A. 5%c; standard A. 5c; confectioners A. 5c; cut loaf 5%c; crushed 5%c; powdered, 5%c; granulated 5%c;

NAVAL STORES.

New York-Rosin steady; strained, common to good \$1.40@1.45. Turpentine steady at 32@3214c. Charleston-Spirits turpentine quiet at

29c; sales none. Rosin firm; sales none strained, common to good, \$1.10 to \$1.20. Savannah-Spirits turpentine steady at 30c; sales 1,100; recipts 557. Rosin firm; sales 2,000; receipts 3,233. Quote closing A B C D \$1.25; E F \$1.30; G \$1.35; H \$1.40; I \$1.55; K \$1.80; M \$2.00; N \$2.40; W G \$2.65; W W \$3.00.

Cotton Furnres

(Special to The Messenger.) New York, October 23.-The believers in a monster cotton crop and the advocates of lower prices have been greatly encouraged by the heavy movement of supplies and the drop in price this week. The loss in values has not been very great at less than 20 points but the loss in morals and feeling is serious. For the first time in several years January cotton sold in New York below 6 cents today. Liverpool responded to the weakness shown here yesterday by breaking sharply this morning. Our market opened 2 to 4 points lower. The demand in the neighborhood of 6 cents was large, but liquidation was very heavy and more than supplied it. Receipts were again big, January opened at 6.02, declined to 5.95, rallied and closed at 5.98 to 5.99 with the tone of the market barely steady. The week closed with a feeling of gloom prevailing which is shared by atmost every and how certain it is to sell much lower can be heard on all sides. The low prices and unsatisfactory conditions in the cotton goods trade, the probability of labor troubles in English mills, the enormous movement and the lack of speculative support, added to the general impression that the south has succeeded in raising a record breaker, poor crop accounts to the contrary notwithstanding, are the dissuading arguments presented to those who give evidence of friendliness to the market. So far they have been effective. A bull must cling to his belief in an over estimated crop and to the knowledge that any change in trade conditions must be for the better, as the basis of his hopes. Intense and general bearishness is

tremely low and we still think that those who make conservative purchases and protect them will not lose money. RIORDAN & CO. (By Associated Press.) New York, October 23.-Renewed selling by the longs, much of it forced through margin expirations, was a feature of today's cotton market, resulting in a loss of 8 to 10 points at the weakest interval, January contracts selling down to 5.95, thus again breaking the record for this season. The selling was led by a prominent house with connections all over the country and in Europe and especially active for Wall street accounts. This concern was an active seller yesterday and, influenced by their continued selling today, less important houses threw cotton over very freely. The only support the market got during the brief session was in the way of buying by shorts. This, just before the close, led to a rally of 2 to 3 points from the lowest level of the morning. The market opened easy at a decline of 1 to 2 points and further declined as indicated above with the tone finally barely steady at a net loss of 6 to 7 points and total sales of futures 125,000 bales. The weakness of the market was increased by a tendency to make larger crop estimates and the predictions of heavy receipts again this

never so great as when prices are ex-

New York Stock Market. New York, October 23-Today's security market was intensely dull throughout.

The only business done was by profes-

sional traders and this included some selling for foreign account. Some of the selling represented the placing of thing like a firm future is doubted. The shorts contracts by bear traders who immediate outlook, judging from the argued that the danger of the Cuban bank statement, is for easier money. question, leading to strained relations with Spain, indicated that prices would decline. The Sunday interval before trading will be resumed made these operators cautious in their ventures for close last night was apparent today fear of developments that may change and despite the efforts of the bears the the situation before Monday. The disposition to restrict operations for short | sion showing an advance of 1/2c for May turns was very obvious and the only and %c for December. Corn was easier movement of prices seems to be due to and held in place by the strength of professional manipulation. The total wheat. Today's closing showed prices sales were less than 90,000 shares, a about unchanged. Oats followed corn figure lower than for any Saturday in and price changes were of no consemonths. The greater part of these quence. Previsions were weak. Pork sales were of shares of the industrial was off 15c, lard 71/2 to 10c and ribs 21/2 specialties, the railway list being deci- to 71/4. dedly neglected. Some firmness was manifest in the granger shares on the theory that they will benefit from a theory that they will benefit from a favorable decision in the Nebraska Platt, of New York, was at the White maximum freight rate case, which is house twice today and each time saw expected from the supreme court on Monday—that is to say a decision denying the right of the state of Nebraska appointments, but refused to say anyto fix maximum freight charges by the

2 railways. Sugar displayed some strength during the day and closed with a small net gain. Chicago Gas and Union Pacific were the only stocks traded in to the extent of more than 16,000. The latter was weak on the doubt cast upon the success of the reorganization plan by talk of an opposition syndicate which continues to be talked of. Net losses are general but reached a point or over in only a few

The increase of the surplus reserve of the banks of \$8,290,000, even with the legal reserve point raised by an increase in deposits, was not counted a favorable factor in the stock market though it naturally tends to ease in the money market and to strengthen the position of the banks technically. The increase in the holdings of actual cash was \$8,626,600, the gold arriving from Europe last Friday and Saturday being included. The liquidation of loans in face of this easy condition reached the large total of \$6,941,600. This was in large part due to the buying of commercial paper in this market by western banks, choice single named short paper having been placed with a Chicago bank during the week at 3% per cent., according to a prominent authority. Numerous other westerners have offered money in New York and their deposits are reported to be high on account of large payments of indebtedness by farmers and western business men who have realized on the grain crop. The quick movement of the grain crop has led to an early cessation of demand for funds for that purpose and the interruption of the movement of the cotton crop defers the demand from that quarter. The release of funds in New York as a consequence of this condition has led to a marked easing of the money market, call loans yesterday and today being offered in abundance at 2 per cent, and in some cases below that.

The money market is almost plethoric and the falling off for funds is not looked upon in Wall street as a favorable indication of the progress of general business. It is reported that a movement is on foot among New York banks to reduce the interest they pay on the balances of out of town banks from 2 to 11/2 per cent. This condition of the domestic money market is coupled with something very like stringency in the Berlin money market, owing to the keen activity in business and to a stiffening of rates in the London market as a result of efforts by the Bank of England to preevent gold coming to the United States. These efforts consisted of raising the price of gold bars and of American eagles and of borrowing largely with a view to bringing up the open market rate of discount to a parity with that of the bank which remains at 3 per cent. The open market rate in London yesterday and today had about reached that point and it is reported that applications for

loans are making to the bank itself. Railroad earnings continue large but some questions has begun to arise whether general traffic will keep up earnings after the grain movements and the arrearage of soft coal traffic have subsided. Some speculative activity has been shifted to the wheat market with the fresh advance there.

Bonds have been moderately active and have held their advances more firmly than stocks, gains ranging up to 3 per cent. Total sales were \$9,100,-000. United States new 4's coupon have sold t 128, the highest on record. The bid prices of other issues have moved up in consequence with the ease in the money market.

Weekly Bank Statement

New York, October 23.-The weekly one. How little cotton is really worth bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, inchease \$8,290,200; loans, decrease \$6,941,600; specie, increase \$5,869,600; legal tenders increase \$2,767,000; deposits, increase \$1,385,600; circulation, increase \$104,200. The banks now hold \$22,904,700 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

> The Financier says: The statement of the associated banks of New York city for the week ending October 23rd, shows an increase in reserve of \$9,419,-200 in two weeks. Loans in the same time have decreased almost in the same proportion, while deposits have remained stationary. The liquidation, therefore,, appears to have been carried on in a manner that has not disturbed the deposit item, but this affords no explanation of the current business of the week. The gain in cash has been largely in the form of specie, the banks holding \$24,000,000 more gold than legal tenders. The specie increase of course is due to the imports of the last month, and the expansion in the legal tenders probably represents the first of the return tide of currency from the interior. The flow of money to the west is checked for the present. That the banks recognize the general tendency to ship idle money to this centre for the interest it brings is revealed in rumors of a general effort to reduce rates on country balances from 2 to 11/2 per cent. This has been tried before, not only in New York, but in other cities, but it does not prove effective for the reason that the different banks cannot be brought to work in concert. The official statements of the national banks in widely different sections of the country, indicating very large cash resources, show what may be expected when money begins to flow in this direction in full tide later in the season. Country banks are paying off loan; before maturity. The shrinkage in loans for the week, however, is not to be attributed to this source. Part of the loss is due to operations involved in the gold import movement and to liquidation of maturing paper, that under different circumstances would have been renewed. There is no question hat some of the surplus money in banks will be absorbed in discounting sterling bills, and also in the Union Pacific foreclosure settlements. Whether these requirements, together with current business needs, will be large enough to maintain the market at any-

The Chicago Market

Chicago, October 23 .- The bull sentiment which prevailed in wheat at the cereal was strong throughout the ses-

Senator Platt at the White House